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Mr. Anthony J. Hood, Chairman DC Zoning Commission One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Second Floor Washington, DC 20001

Re: Letter of Support for Big Bear Cafe 1700 1<sup>st</sup> Street, NW Zoning Map Amendment Application Re: ZC Case #10-14 2012 SEP 10 AM 9: 37

Dr. Chairman Hood and Members of the Commission,

I have signed this petition to show my support for the Big Bear Café, and for its application for a zoning map change for the property at 1700 1<sup>st</sup> Street, NW in Washington, DC.

I live or own a property within 200 feet of the Big Bear Café, and I believe the commercial use at this location positively contributes and naturally conforms to the surrounding neighborhood. I support the continued commercial operation at the location, and I support a zoning change to formally recognize the building's commercial use in the DC Zoning Map.

I understand that the current use of the building exists as a non-conforming commercial/mixed-use with a restaurant/café/market in a residential R-4 zone. The building has been a commercial building since it was built over 120 years ago, and it was built with the physical features of a commercial building clearly expressing its original intent. With the approval of a zoning map amendment the property will be rezoned to reflect its light commercial/mixed-use character.

I urge your favorable consideration of this application, and I hope you will help us to support the positive contribution the Big Bear continues to make in our community.

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